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## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

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The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address					
The amendment document filed on <u>19 November 2007</u> is requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amitem(s) is required.	endment document to be cor	mpliant, correction of the following			
THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE A  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include  B. New paragraph(s) should not be under  C. Other	markings.	FO BE NON-COMPLIANT:			
<ul><li>2. Abstract:</li><li>A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37</li><li>B. Other</li></ul>	CFR 1.72.				
<ul> <li>☐ 3. Amendments to the drawings:</li> <li>☐ A. The drawings are not properly identifie</li> <li>"Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 C</li> <li>☐ B. The practice of submitting proposed displayed an another showing amended figures, without ma</li> <li>☐ C. Other</li> </ul>	CFR 1.121(d). rawing correction has been el	iminated. Replacement drawings			
<ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li> <li>☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is</li> <li>☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the claim of each claim has not been provided with of each claim cannot be identified. Not number by using one of the following (Previously presented), (New), (Not end of the claims of this amendment paper the claims of this amendment paper the claims.</li> </ul>	he text of all pending claims ( in the proper status identifier, a ote: the status of every claim status identifiers: (Original), (Ontered), (Withdrawn) and (	and as such, the individual status must be indicated after its claim Currently amended), (Canceled), thdrawn-currently amended). scending numerical order.			
5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or n	ot signed in accordance with	37 CFR 1.4):			
For further explanation of the amendment format require	ed by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPE	EP § 714.			
TIME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTIC					
Applicant is given no new time period if the non-co- filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmi- entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted	t the non-compliant after-final	er-final amendment or an amendme amendment with corrections, the	∍nt		

2. Applicant is given **one month**, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the **corrected section** of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

**Extensions of time** are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) only if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in:

**Abandonment** of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action; or

Non-entry of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental

amendment.

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

The amendment to the claims filed on Nov 19, 2007 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because (i) new claims 44 and 45 have been **underlined**. Any added "new" claims must be presented in clean version, i.e., without any underlining; See 37 CFR 1.121(c) (3) below. And (ii) 20-31 (canceled). Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c) which states:

- (c) Claims. Amendments to a claim must be made by rewriting the entire claim with all changes (e.g., additions and deletions) as indicated in this subsection, except when the claim is being canceled. Each amendment document that includes a change to an existing claim, cancellation of an existing claim or addition of a new claim, must include a complete listing of all claims ever presented, including the text of all pending and withdrawn claims, in the application. The claim listing, including the text of the claims, in the amendment document will serve to replace all prior versions of the claims, in the application. In the claim listing, the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following identifiers in a parenthetical expression: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn), (Previously presented), (New), and (Not entered).
- (1) Claim listing. All of the claims presented in a claim listing shall be presented in ascending numerical order. Consecutive claims having the same status of "canceled" or "not entered" may be aggregated into one statement (e.g., Claims 1–5 (canceled)). The claim listing shall commence on a separate sheet of the amendment document and the sheet(s) that contain the text of any part of the claims shall not contain any other part of the amendment.

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- (2) When claim text with markings is required. All claims being currently amended in an amendment paper shall be presented in the claim listing, indicate a status of "currently amended," and be submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets if strike-through cannot be easily perceived. Only claims having the status of "currently amended," or "withdrawn" if also being amended, shall include markings. If a withdrawn claim is currently amended."
- (3) When claim text in clean version is required. The text of all pending claims not being currently amended shall be presented in the claim listing in clean version, i.e., without any markings in the presentation of text. The presentation of a clean version of any claim having the status of "original," "withdrawn" or "previously presented" will constitute an assertion that it has not been changed relative to the immediate prior version, except to omit markings that may have been present in the immediate prior version of the claims of the status of "withdrawn" or "previously presented." Any claim added by amendment must be indicated with the status of "new" and presented in clean version, i.e., without any underlining.
  - (4) When claim text shall not be presented; canceling a claim.
- (i) No claim text shall be presented for any claim in the claim listing with the status of "canceled" or "not entered."
- (ii) Cancellation of a claim shall be effected by an instruction to cancel a particular claim number. Identifying the status of a claim in the claim listing as "canceled" will constitute an instruction to cancel the claim.
- (5) Reinstatement of previously canceled claim. A claim which was previously canceled may be reinstated only by adding the claim as a "new" claim with a new claim number.

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Since the reply filed on Nov 19, 2007 appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE** (1) **MONTH** or **THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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